

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 02481.1671-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Franz-Josef RUBRODER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1646

Application No.: 09/991,964) Examiner: Olga N. Chernyshev, Ph.D.

Filed: November 26, 2001)

For: PROCESS FOR THE)
STABILIZATION OF PROTEINS IN)
COMPLEX MIXTURES DURING)
THEIR STORAGE IN AQUEOUS)
SOLVENTS)Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of December 20, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$410.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	62	-	55	7	x \$ 18	\$ 126.00
Indep.	4	-	3	1	x \$ 84	\$ 84.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$280	
						TOTAL \$ 210.00

A fee of \$210.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
 A check for \$620.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Dated: May 9 2003

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